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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF  
CHENG ET AL.

EXAMINER: E.O. Sackey  
Art Unit: 1626

APPLICATION NO: 10/081,075  
FILED: FEBRUARY 22, 2002

FOR: SUBSTITUTED ACID DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS  
ANTIDIABETIC AND ANTIOBESITY AGENTS AND METHOD

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.